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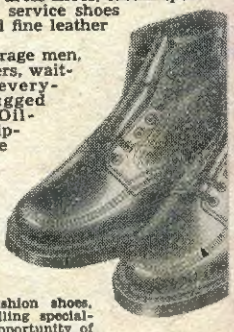

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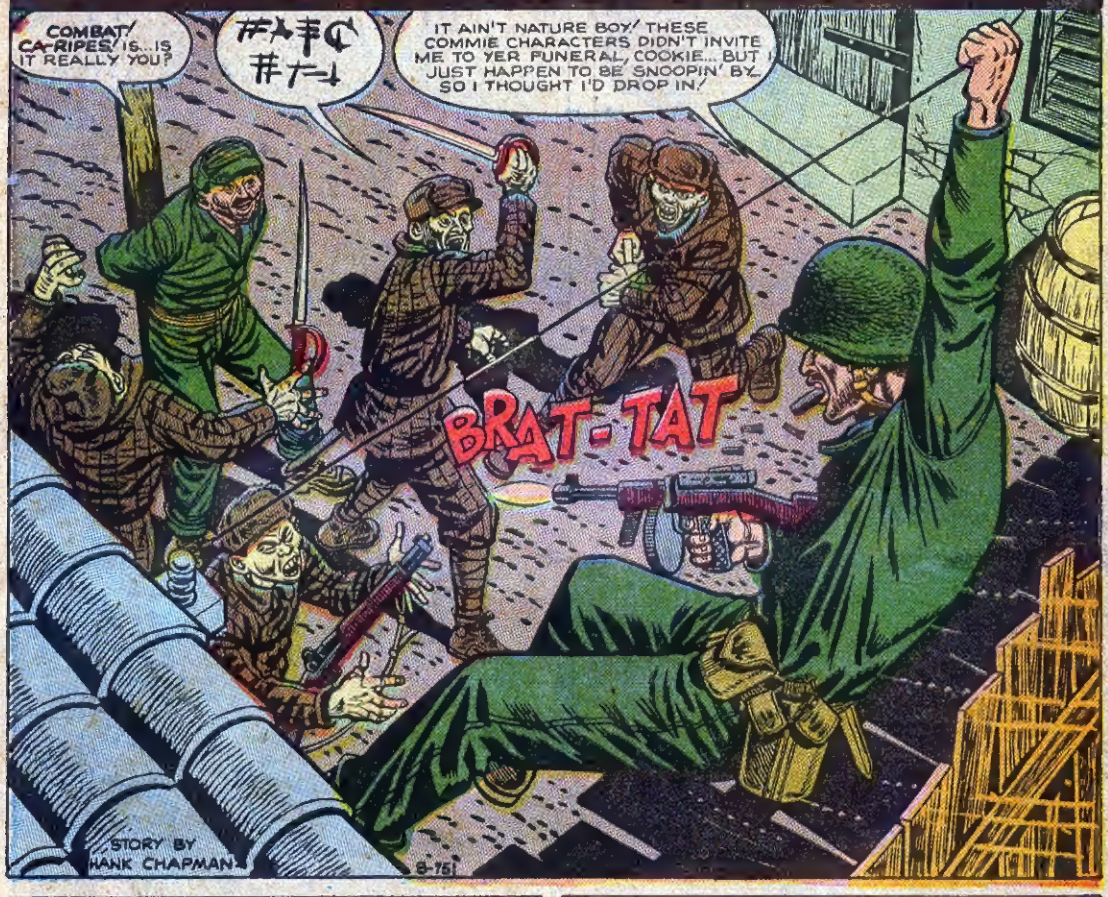
COMBAT CARIPES! IS...IS IT REALLY YOU?
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IT AIN'T NATURE BOY! THESE COMMIE CHARACTERS DIDN'T INVITE ME TO YER FUNERAL, COOKIE... BUT I JUST HAPPEN TO BE SNOOPIN' BY... SO I THOUGHT I'D DROP IN!
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YOU MISERABLE SON OF A CONTAMINATED COW.. YOUR UGLY HEAD WILL ROLL IN THE KOREAN DUST FOR THAT!
OH-OH... I THINK HE'S A LI'L BURNED UP AT ME!

THE RED OFFICER SLASHES OUT AT COOKIE WITH HIS SWORD.

BUT COOKIE LOWERS HIS HEAD... AND INSTEAD OF GETTING HIS HEAD HANDED TO HIM, ALL HE GETS IS A HAIRCUT...

THE RED CHARGES IN AT COMBAT WITH HIS SWORD RAISED...

AH-H.. BUSINESS IS PICKIN' UP! HERE COMES A CUSTOMER!

COMBAT WAITS UNTIL HE CAN SEE THE WHITES OF HIS EYES IN THE BLADE'S BROADSIDE... THEN HE TAKES A BOW...

SWISH

AND FLIPS THE RED OVER HIS BACK...

OW-W-W-W-W!

COMBAT! LOOK OUT! IN BACK OF YA!

COMBAT JUMPS ASIDE AND SHOVES THE RAIN BARREL IN THE SPOT HE VACATED...

YER BATH'S READY, YA DIRTY LI'L SIR!

NOW DRINK OR DROWN, RAT!

WHAMMO

HOLY CA-RIPES! MONKEY SEES.. MONKEY DOES! THAT COMMIE CHARACTER IS STEALIN' MY TARZAN ACT!

AS THE RED SWINGS IN ON THE WIRE, COMBAT TAKES A FLYING LEAP OFF THE BARREL...

GOTCHA!

CRUNCH

WHUF

THE HUMAN PENDULUM SWINGS BACK AND FORTH...
THIS WOULD BE A GREAT ACT ON T.V., BUSTER... BUT YER WASTIN' YER TIME HERE! BESIDES YA CAN'T HOLD US BOTH UP MUCH LONGER, SO SMARTEN UP AN' LET GO!
WHEN THE RED SWINGS OVER A BUNCH OF HIS COMRADES... HE TAKES COMBAT'S ADVICE...
HEY! I WAS ONLY KIDDIN'! HANG ON!
CA-RIPES! I DON'T MIND BATTLIN' SIX OR SEVEN OF YA... BUT WHEN YA PUT ON A BRAWL LIKE THIS YA MAKE ME THINK YA WANNA TAKE ADVANTAGE OF ME!
A DOZEN BLACK EYES AND BROKEN TEETH LATER...
OKAY.. SO YA GOT ME... NOW WHAT? WHICH IS IT GONNA BE... THE BULLET IN THE BACK ROUTINE... OR THE SWORD ACT?
THOSE METHODS ARE FOR THE COMMON PRISONERS! AFTER WHAT YOU HAVE DONE TO MY TROOPS, YOU DESERVE SPECIAL CONSIDERATION!
AND A FEW MINUTES LATER COMBAT GETS THE SPECIAL CONSIDERATION...
IF IT'S ALL THE SAME TO YOU, GENERAL... I'D RATHER BE TREATED LIKE A COMMON SOLDIER!
AH-H.. BUT I INSIST OTHERWISE!
YOU HAVE DISPLAYED GREAT STRENGTH AND STAMINA. AND I AM CURIOUS TO OBSERVE HOW FAR THE STONE WILL ROLL BEFORE YOU WILL STOP SCREAMING!
AT THE COUNT OF THREE I SHALL START YOU ON YOUR WAY TO OBLIVION!
YEE! AHR!
ONE! TWO!
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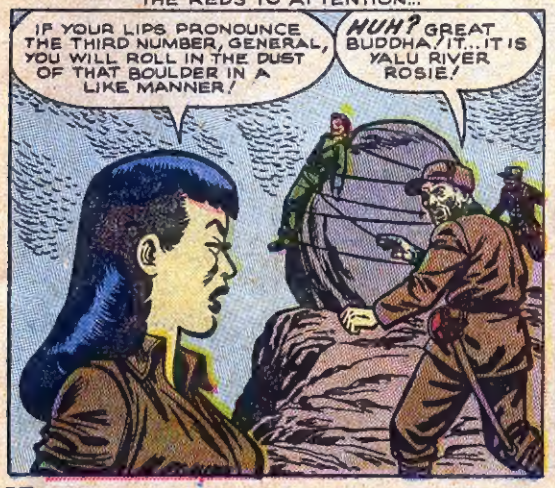
BUT THE GENERAL NEVER FINISHES HIS COUNT! HE IS INTERRUPTED BY A VOICE WHICH SNAPS ALL THE REDS TO ATTENTION...

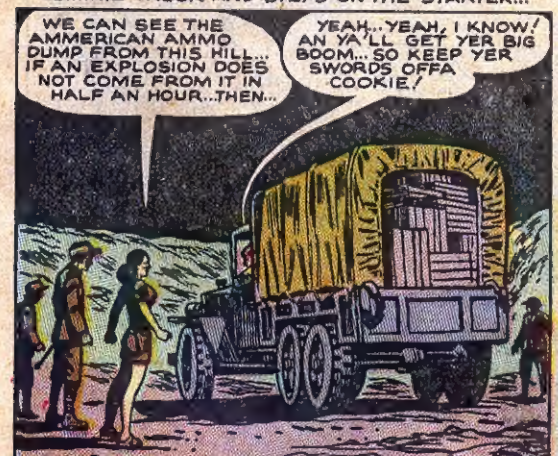

IF YOUR LIPS PRONOUNCE THE THIRD NUMBER, GENERAL, YOU WILL ROLL IN THE DUST OF THAT BOULDER IN A LIKE MANNER!
HUH? GREAT BUDDHA! IT...IT IS YALU RIVER ROSIE!

A THOUSAND PARDONS FOR ASKING, ROSIE...BUT WHY DO YOU INTERFERE? LOOK AT MY TROOPS! OBSERVE THEIR CONDITIONS! IT IS ALL THE WORK OF THIS RED-HAIRED DEVIL!
DESTRUCTION SEEMS TO BE HIS FORTE... AND THAT IS WHY I SPARE HIM TEMPORARILY!

YALU RIVER ROSIE DOESN'T SAY ANY MORE UNTIL A TRUCK ROLLS SLOWLY INTO THE AREA AND STOPS!

THIS VEHICLE IS LOADED WITH EXPLOSIVES...IT IS A BOMB ON WHEELS! I HAVE JUST SET IT TO GO OFF IN HALF AN HOUR! AND IN HALF AN HOUR IT WILL BE IN THE AMERICAN AMMUNITION DUMP!
BUT HOW?

COMBAT CLIMBS INTO THE DRIVER'S SEAT OF THE COMMIE TRUCK AND STEPS ON THE STARTER...


WE CAN SEE THE AMMERICAN AMMO DUMP FROM THIS HILL... IF AN EXPLOSION DOES NOT COME FROM IT IN HALF AN HOUR...THEN...
YEAH...YEAH, I KNOW! AN YA'LL GET YER BIG BOOM... SO KEEP YER SWORDS OFFA COOKIE!

THE GEARS GRIND AS COMBAT SLAMS THE STICK INTO FIRST AND ROLLS AWAY...

THE REDS WATCH AS THE TRUCK WINDS DOWN THE MOUNTAIN ROAD...

HE SHOULD REACH THE DUMP AT FIVE!

THEY SEE IT DISAPPEAR AROUND A DISTANT BEND...

SEVENTEEN MORE MINUTES!

THEY WAIT FOR THE VEHICLE TO REAPPEAR IN THE VALLEY BELOW...

NINE MINUTES LEFT!

TWO MINUTES MORE!

WHERE IS THE DEVIL?

COMBAT ANSWERS THE GENERAL'S ROLL CALL AS HE ROARS INTO THE AREA WITH THE BOMB ON WHEELS...

IN THE NAME OF BUDDHA... IT...IT IS THE CRAZY ONE!

RUN! RUN! THE TRUCK WILL EXPLODE ANY SECOND!

THE TRUCK SPITS AND BACKFIRES AS COMBAT FEEDS IT GAS AND FOLLOWS THE REDS...

DON'T LOOK NOW, BOYS... BUT THERE'S A BOOM-BOOM BUGGY FOLLOWIN' YA!

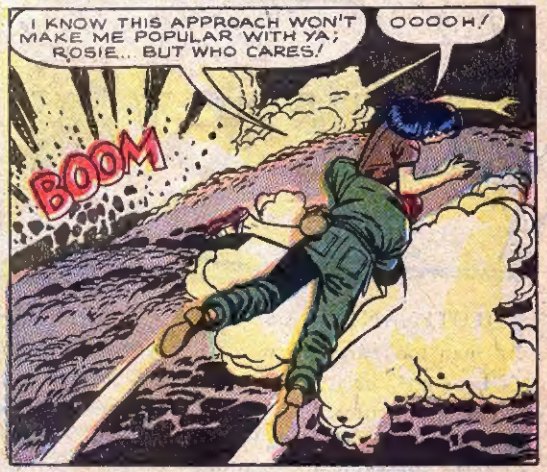
WHEN THE BOUNCING VEHICLE IS ROLLING WITH THE SPEED OF A RUNAWAY LOCOMOTIVE, COMBAT BAILS OUT...

30 SECONDS LEFT... AN' I'LL NEVER BUY STUFF IN THAT PUSAN P.X. AGAIN IF THIS WATCH THEY SOLD ME IS SLOW!

HOLY SMOKES! THERE'S YALU RIVER ROSIE TRYIN' TO PULL A SCRAMMO ALL BY HER SOLO!

COMBAT TAKES OFF AFTER ROSIE...

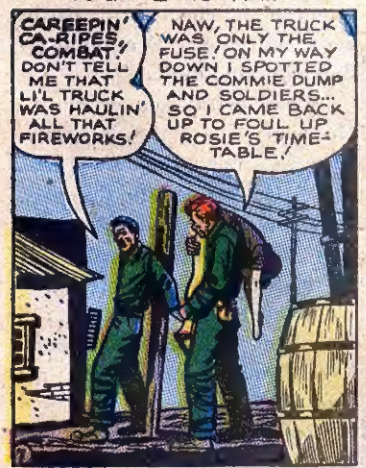
AND HE NAILS HER JUST AS THE TIME RUNS OUT ON THE COMMIE TRUCK IN THE VALLEY, ON THE REDS' SIDE OF THE HILL



OTHER EXPLOSIONS FOLLOW THE FIRST! TEN BLASTS...TWENTY...A HUNDRED...

AND THEN THE ENTIRE VALLEY SEEMS TO ERUPT IN ONE GIGANTIC INFERNO OF FLAME AND FIRE... OF MEN AND MACHINERY... OF DIRT AND STEEL...

AND WHEN NORTH KOREA STOPS QUAKING, COMBAT GETS UP TO UNTIE HIS PAL...


CAREEPIN' CA-RIPES, COMBAT! DON'T TELL ME THAT LI'L TRUCK WAS HAULIN' ALL THAT FIREWORKS!
NAW, THE TRUCK WAS ONLY THE FUSE! ON MY WAY DOWN I SPOTTED THE COMMIE DUMP AND SOLDIERS... SO I CAME BACK UP TO FOUL UP ROSIE'S TIME-TABLE!

ATLAS DON'T MISS COMBAT KELLY IN HIS *OWN* MAGAZINE..."COMBAT KELLY COMICS" MONTHLY! ATLAS

UNKNOWN QUANTITY

LIEUTENANT Arne Hoffman looked at his watch.

"Let's go!" he yelled.

The group of six U. N. soldiers who had been lying behind a rock escarpment breathing heavily got to their feet like a string of jumping jacks. They were tired; their clothes were ragged from frequent contact with rocks; their ammunition belts were almost empty.

Sergeant Bob Brady got out of the escarpment right after the Lieutenant, his burp-gun swinging. Then he stopped.

"Rolf! Get the lead out of your pants!" he barked.

"Huh? Oh . . ." Private Joe Rolf, the seventh G. I. looked up startled. Then he followed. Brady watched him head down the slight slope with the rest of the outfit. Then, as he jogged down along with Lieutenant Hoffman, the Sergeant said:

"That Rolf, Lieutenant — I dunno what we're gonna do with him!"

Arne Hoffman grinned.

"Yeah, he is kind of odd. Too quiet. You never know what he's thinking of. Guess he's a sort of unknown quantity."

"Unknown quantity?" Brady asked.

That was all he had time for.

A raft of North Korean mortars operating from along the rocky ridge north of Kaipujung shelled out.

A shrill, high whine ripped across the dull gray Korean sky and seemed to fall on them like arrowed bolts of lightning.

"Holy baloney!" Hoffman yelled.

In front of them the ground suddenly went up like an inclined plain. The thunder of the first barrage was followed immediately by two others. Hoffman, Brady and the seven G. I.'s went down like ninepins —backward.

Brady wakened a few instants later; he opened his eyes, noted his arms and legs were still on. He could feel someone stirring next to him.

"What was that you were sayin', Lieutenant?" he asked dazedly.

"Holy baloney, I think . . ." Hoffman said, sitting up and testing his joints. "I think I'm all right!"

"We're okay, Lieutenant," a faint chorus of voices came.

Brady and Hoffman glanced to the left.

The barrages had scooped out a bank of earth about twenty feet long and four feet deep. The seven G. I.'s were arranged in sprawling attitudes. They scrambled to a sitting position, cautiously keeping their heads down.

Hoffman shook his head. He glanced at his watch.

"We'll never make it back to our lines now," he said glumly. "They've spotted us—and they've got our range." He paused. "A heck of a scouting mission!" he exploded. "We get info on commie big-gun installations — and we probably won't get back to deliver it!"

"Maybe we ought to scatter, Lieutenant," Brady suggested. "That way one or more of us might get back with the info."

Hoffman was about to nod in agreement when a half - dozen enemy burp - guns began sweeping the rocky, open space. The Lieutenant shuddered.

"We might as well go up in one piece as in pieces," he said. "Those burp-guns would make hash out of us before we could hit that pass over there through the hill."

"But Lieutenant!" Brady protested. "You said yourself they got our range!" He looked round at the enemy-made earthwork and paled. "We might go sky-high any minute!"

"We're gettin' out of here!" Hoffman said decisively. "There's one chance — that pass." He pointed to the pass, a narrow rocky divide between two low, tumbled hills. "If we're careful we can reach it." He shrugged. "If we aren't . . ." He shook his head dubiously. "Well, maybe one might get through."

"Rolf!" Brady barked. "Sit up and pay attention!"

"Yessir!" Joe Rolf said, snap-

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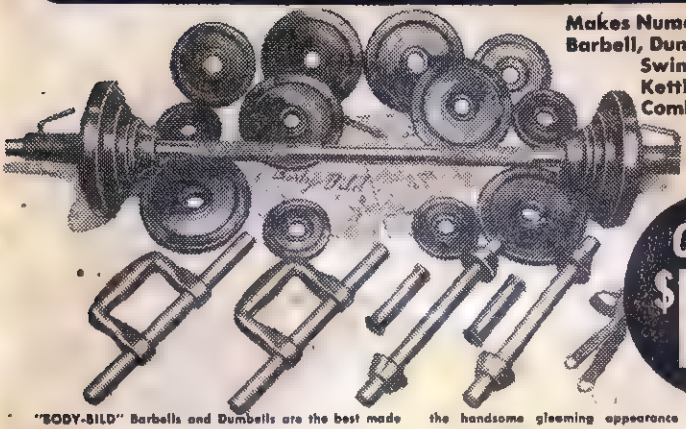

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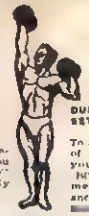

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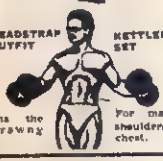

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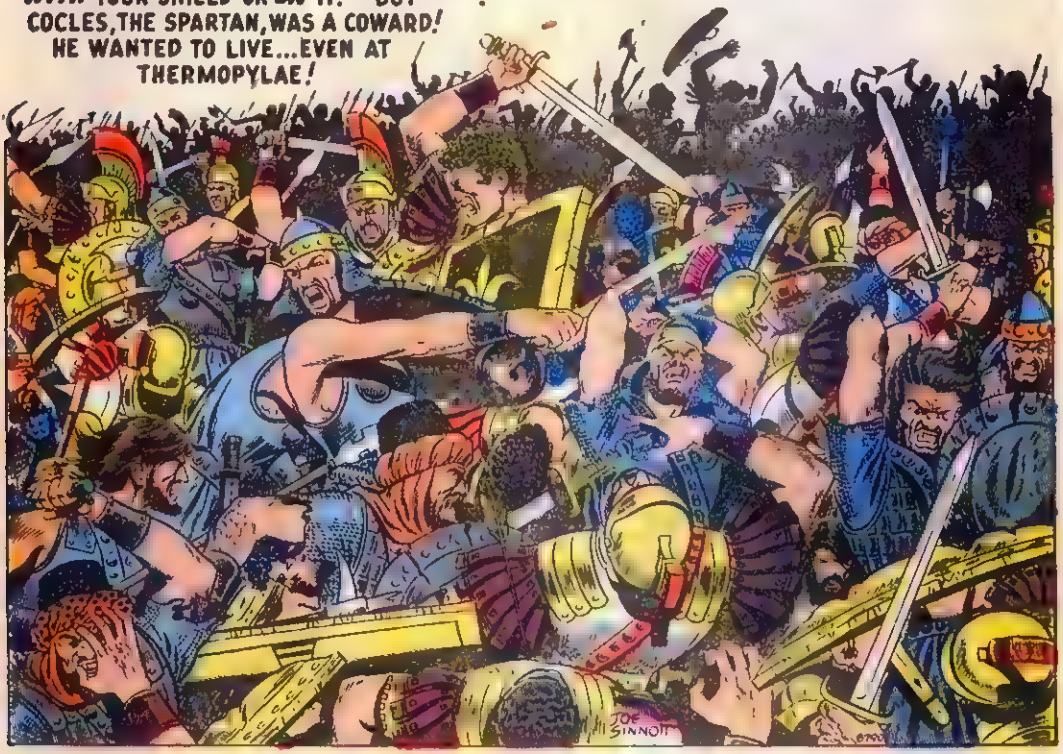

COCLES WAS A BORN WARRIOR... A FIGHTER WHO LAUGHED AT DEATH! AT LEAST COCLES THOUGHT SO, TILL ONE NIGHT, ON SENTRY DUTY, HE CAME UPON A RAIDING VESSEL...

COCLES TENSED... HIS SHIELD WENT UP... HIS SPEAR ARM WENT BACK! COCLES WAS READY FOR BATTLE!

FOR THE FIRST TIME IN HIS LIFE, COCLES LOST HEART... HE SAW NOTHING BUT APPROACHING DEATH!
KILL HIM! KILL HIM!
HE KNEW HE WOULD KILL SOME OF THE PIRATES... BUT NOT ENOUGH! NOT ALL! THOSE WHO SURVIVED WERE SURE TO KILL HIM!
LOOK! THE SPARTAN RETREATS! I-I CAN'T BELIEVE MY EYES! NO SPARTAN RETREATS!
I WILL NOT DIE! THERE IS NO SENSE IN DYING! I WILL WARN THE TOWNSPEOPLE! THEY WILL DRIVE OFF THE PIRATES!
HE DOESN'T R-RETREAT! HE RUNS! HE FLINGS HIS SHIELD TO THE GROUND!
THE ASTONISHMENT OF THE PIRATES WAS UNDERSTANDABLE, FOR NO MORTAL HAD EVER SEEN A SPARTAN RUN...AND WHEN COCLES REACHED THE CITY GUARD..
QUICK! CARTHAGINIAN PIRATES HAVE LANDED ON THE SOUTH BEACH!
THEN WHAT DO YOU HERE, COCLES? WHY AREN'T YOU ON THE BEACH FIGHTING THEM?
I DID GIVE THEM BATTLE! THEN, FEARING FOR MY LIFE--THAT I MAY NOT LIVE TO GIVE THE ALARM... I CAME HERE FOR HELP! THE LIVES OF OUR WIVES AND CHILDREN--THESE I CONSIDERED MORE IMPORTANT THAN MY HONOR!
COME ON!
LOOK! T-THE GUARD! THE COWARD HAS BROUGHT THE CITY GUARD!
THERE THEY ARE! DESTROY THE MARAUDERS!
YIIIIII!
OHHHHH!

BUT COCLES HUNG BACK...FOR HE WAS WITHOUT A SHIELD...
NO MORE! WE YIELD!
WE HAVE THEM! BUT WHY DOES THE CAPTAIN TALK WITH THE PIRATE? THEY'RE POINTING AT ME!
COCLES! COME HERE!
TAKE YOUR SHIELD, COCLES! WE JUST LEARNED YOU FLUNG IT ASIDE WITHOUT DOING BATTLE!
THAT IS A LIE! I FOUGHT HARD! I GAVE THEM BLOW FOR BLOW!
DID YOU? THEN WHERE IS ONE CORPSE YOU SLEW? FIND HIM FOR US! FIND ONE SCRATCH ON US THAT CAME FROM YOUR SWORD--YOU COWARD!
YOU CALL YOURSELF A SPARTAN! PTTTTTT!
YOU HAVE BROUGHT DISHONOR TO SPARTA, COCLES! THE WHOLE KINGDOM WILL KNOW IT BY MORNING!
I HAVE NO PITY FOR YOU, COCLES! YOUR WIFE AND CHILDREN WILL SUFFER FOR YOUR COWARDICE! YOU WILL SOON LEARN--TO HAVE DIED WOULD HAVE BEEN LESS PAINFUL!
IT WAS TRUE! THE NEXT MORNING WHEN COCLES WALKED THE STREETS, NOBODY GREETED HIM!
HIS CHILDREN IGNORED HIM...
EVEN HIS WIFE TURNED HER BACK...
WHAT WOULD YOU HAVE HAD ME DO?--DESTROY MYSELF?! I COULDN'T HAVE BEATEN THOSE PIRATES SINGLE-HANDED! SHOULD I HAVE LEFT YOU A WIDOW?
YES! ANYTHING BUT THIS UNBEARABLE DISGRACE! A SPARTAN WHO SHIRKS FIGHTING DOES NOT DESERVE TO LIVE!

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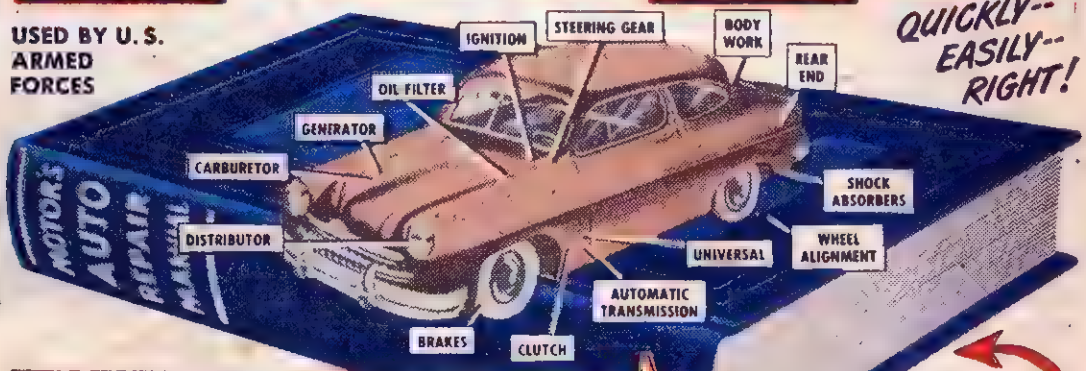

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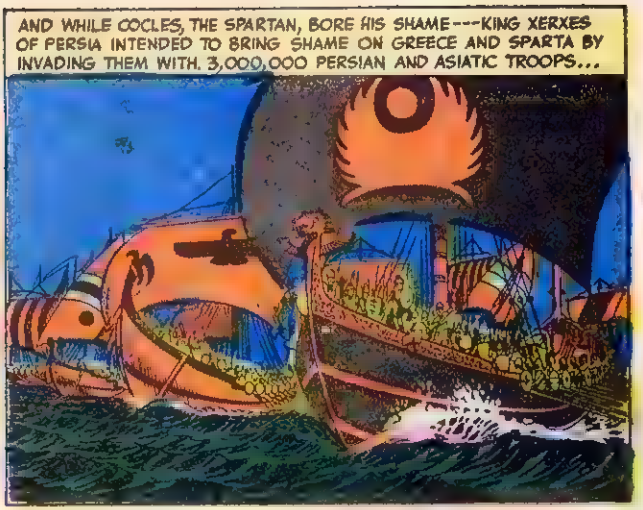
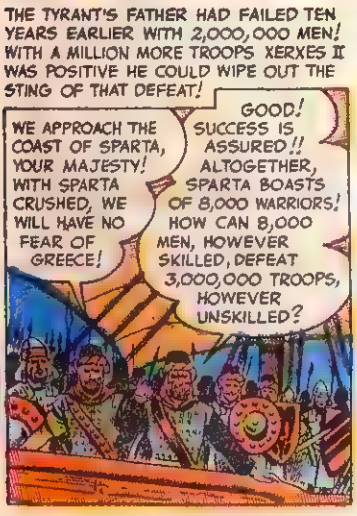
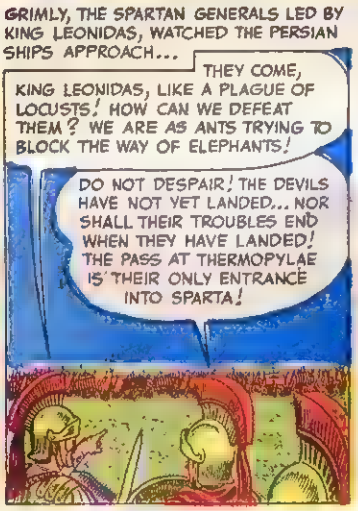
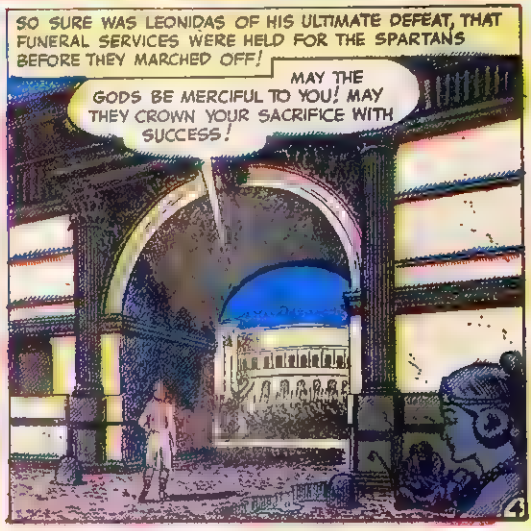

AND WHILE COCLES, THE SPARTAN, BORE HIS SHAME---KING XERXES OF PERSIA INTENDED TO BRING SHAME ON GREECE AND SPARTA BY INVADING THEM WITH 3,000,000 PERSIAN AND ASIATIC TROOPS...


THE TYRANT'S FATHER HAD FAILED TEN YEARS EARLIER WITH 2,000,000 MEN! WITH A MILLION MORE TROOPS XERXES II WAS POSITIVE HE COULD WIPE OUT THE STING OF THAT DEFEAT!
WE APPROACH THE COAST OF SPARTA, YOUR MAJESTY! WITH SPARTA CRUSHED, WE WILL HAVE NO FEAR OF GREECE!
GOOD! SUCCESS IS ASSURED!! ALTOGETHER, SPARTA BOASTS OF 8,000 WARRIORS! HOW CAN 8,000 MEN, HOWEVER SKILLED, DEFEAT 3,000,000 TROOPS, HOWEVER UNSKILLED?


GRIMLY, THE SPARTAN GENERALS LED BY KING LEONIDAS, WATCHED THE PERSIAN SHIPS APPROACH...
THEY COME, KING LEONIDAS, LIKE A PLAGUE OF LOCUSTS! HOW CAN WE DEFEAT THEM? WE ARE AS ANTS TRYING TO BLOCK THE WAY OF ELEPHANTS!
DO NOT DESPAIR! THE DEVILS HAVE NOT YET LANDED... NOR SHALL THEIR TROUBLES END WHEN THEY HAVE LANDED! THE PASS AT THERMOPYLAE IS THEIR ONLY ENTRANCE INTO SPARTA!

WE WILL SPLIT OUR FORCE IN TWO! 4,000 SPARTANS WILL DEFEND THE PASS! 4,000 OTHERS WILL JOIN THE GREEKS TO DEFEND OUR KINGDOM INLAND!.. EVERYTHING SHALL REST ON THE DEFENDERS AT THERMOPYLAE!

THE LONGER WE HOLD THE PERSIANS, THE MORE TIME WE SHALL GIVE GREECE TO COME TO OUR RESCUE! IN SHORT, WE CANNOT LET THEM PASS THERMOPYLAE!


SO SURE WAS LEONIDAS OF HIS ULTIMATE DEFEAT, THAT FUNERAL SERVICES WERE HELD FOR THE SPARTANS BEFORE THEY MARCHED OFF!
MAY THE GODS BE MERCIFUL TO YOU! MAY THEY CROWN YOUR SACRIFICE WITH SUCCESS!

THEN THE WARRIORS SAID GOOD-BYE TO THEIR LOVED ONES...ALL EXCEPT COCLES...
SHE IS RIGHT! AS A COWARD, I HAVE YIELDED ALL CLAIMS TO HUSBANDLY PRIVILEGES! A SPARTAN WHO SHIRKS HIS TASK IS BETTER OFF DEAD THAN DISGRACED!
THE SPARTANS WERE NO SOONER IN POSITION THAN THE PERSIAN SHIPS DISGORGED THEIR HORDES .
SHIPS! AS FAR AS THE EYE CAN SEE---SHIPS!
BUT WHAT WAS FAR WORSE WERE THE CONTENTS OF THOSE SHIPS!
HERE THEY COME, SPARTANS! FIGHT AS YOU NEVER FOUGHT BEFORE! IF THE DEVILS PASS, THEY WILL LAY TORCH TO THE WHOLE KINGDOM!
STILL THEY COME! THEY CLIMB OVER THEIR OWN DEAD!
--TO THEIR OWN DOOM! LAY IT ON!
COCLES! IS THIS THE COWARD I HAVE HEARD ABOUT? YOU FIGHT LIKE TEN MEN!
BUT COCLES HARDLY HEARD THE WORDS OF HIS KING, LEONIDAS. HE HARDLY HEARD THE SCREAMING OF THE PERSIANS! HE LISTENED TO OTHER WORDS--- WITHIN HIS MEMORY!
COWARD!.. YOU HAVE DISGRACED US!... YOU ARE NO SPARTAN!...A SPARTAN LOVES HONOR BEFORE DEATH!

FOR FOUR DAYS THE PERSIANS WERE PILED UP IN FRONT OF THERMOPYLAE PASS! THEN ONE AFTERNOON, A GREEK TRAITOR ENTERED XERXES CAMP...

THERE IS A SECRET TRAIL INTO THE MOUNTAINS THAT TAKES ONE BEHIND THERMOPYLAE PASS! I'LL POINT IT OUT TO THE GREAT XERXES--FOR ENOUGH GOLD!

TAKE AS MUCH AS YOU WANT! MY MEN ARE BEING BUTCHERED! THE FIENDS WILL NOT LET US PASS SO MUCH AS ONE FOOT!

EARLY THE NEXT MORNING, THE PERSIANS SURPRISED THE SPARTAN REAR GUARD!

MOVE QUICKLY! HERE'S YOUR CHANCE TO TAKE THEM IN THE REAR!

THE PERSIAN ARMY POURED THROUGH! LEONIDAS SWIFTLY ORDERED THE BULK OF HIS TROOPS TO ESCAPE WHILE THE WAY WAS STILL OPEN! HE WOULD REMAIN WITH 300 PICKED WARRIORS!

BUT, YOUR MAJESTY... THE ENEMY'S ARCHERS ARE SO NUMEROUS THEY DARKEN THE SUN!

SO MUCH THE BETTER! WE WILL FIGHT IN THE SHADE! 300 SPARTANS WILL STAY WITH ME TO GIVE XERXES SUCH AN EXAMPLE OF RESOLUTION THAT HE MAY GIVE UP HIS INVASION!

AMONG THE TROOPS MARCHING TO SAFETY WAS COCLES, THE COWARD!

POOR DEVILS! TONIGHT THEY WILL SUP WITH PLUTO!

COCLES! W-WHERE ARE YOU GOING? COME BACK!

NO! I HAVE FLED THE FIELD OF BATTLE FOR THE LAST TIME!

YOUR MAJESTY... IT IS MY WISH TO DIE WITH YOU HERE AT THERMOPYLAE! I HAVE LOST FAITH IN MYSELF... THIS IS HOW I WOULD REDEEM MY HONOR!

I UNDERSTAND, COCLES! I AM PROUD TO HAVE YOU FIGHT AT MY SIDE!

BEFORE THE NOONDAY SUN BECAME HOT, THE SPARTAN BAND WAS SURROUNDED WITH A RING OF DEATH...

GIVE THEM AN EXAMPLE OF WHAT THEY FACE IF THEY KEEP UP THIS INVASION! IF THEY SHRINK FROM 300 WARRIORS, THEY WILL BE TERRIFIED OF ALL THE ARMIES OF GREECE!

THROUGH THE LONG AFTERNOON, 20,000 PERSIANS DIED TO KILL 300 SPARTANS!

AND COCLES RETURNED TO HIS VILLAGE AS HE HAD WISHED ON A SHIELD!

LOOK AT HIM! COCLES IS SMILING!

XERXES WAS SO SHAKEN BY THE OUTCOME THAT A YEAR LATER HE WAS INGLORIOUSLY DRIVEN OUT OF GREECE!

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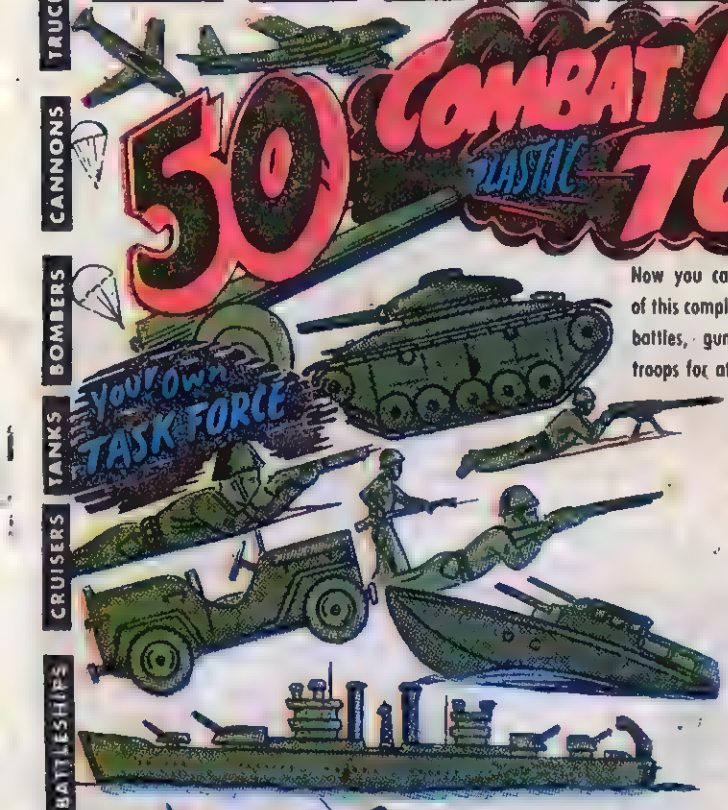

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ping out of what looked like a dream.

"We're all goin' out when the Lieutenant says go — on the last lap. And you hit the open spaces with the rest of us!"

"Yessir!" Joe Rolf said.

Suddenly Brady glanced skyward. Then everyone ducked again as they heard the murderous whine of a flight of enemy mortar shells. The U. N. force huddled into the earth as the shrilling whine seemed to rip down on their heads.

Then the shells struck.

They fell short.

"Come on," Lieutenant Hoffman yelled. "The next one'll get us!"

All nine men snaked round one end of the earthwork and started down for the pass.

Brady felt the wind of burp-gun bullets crease his hair. A slug whanged off his helmet. Everyone crouched down low, running like animals, close to the ground.

"Here it comes," Hoffman grunted.

Brady, looking up, saw the bursts of burp-gun fire sweep up the rocky ground toward them. The mouth of the pass was over fifteen yards away.

"Left!" Hoffman yelled.

They dodged, just in time. The creeping machine-gun barrage passed, came back.

Then the small U. N. force reached the jagged mouth of the pass. They got in — Joe Rolf last.

Inside they grounded their guns.

Brady leaned against the uneven wall of the pass, breathing heavily, trying to get his breath. He watched Hoffman gasping for air.

"At ease for a minute, men," Hoffman said.

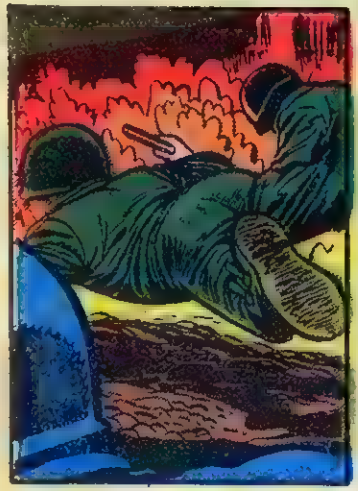
"Hands up!"

The sibilant, hoarse whisper from up ahead, instantly drew their eyes.

"Holy Baloney!" the Lieutenant breathed. "They got the pass covered." He paused. "And our guns are grounded!"

The commie soldier sitting behind the crude rock wall at the other end of the pass, smiled, and fired one shot. U. N. guns clattered to the rock floor of the pass. The red crooked a finger.

"Come up one by one," he ordered, "I will search you." Then he snarled. "And try nothing. A false move and you die." He patted the butt of his gun.



"Away from your own weapons — quick!"

One by one the soldiers filed up to the low wall, their arms in the air. The commie made them divest themselves of their ammo belts, their watches. He looked at the growing heap of loot with greedy eyes.

Joe Rolf was the last in line. He came up as the others lined up before the gun.

"Empty your pockets!" the red growled.

Joe took a big cigar out of the breast pocket of his battle jacket and laid it on the top of the low rock wall. The red grunted pleasurably.

"Light it for me!" he ordered. "I will enjoy it, while we wait for my own patrol to return!"

Rolf lit the cigar, placed it between the commie's lips; then he backed away.

"Givin' aid and comfort to the enemy!" Brady growled. He watched Joe Rolf suddenly tense.

BANG!

The cigar exploded. Instantly Joe leaped forward; one fist drove into the red's face, the other into his stomach. The red slammed backward against the opposite wall. Brady, coming up, swung the burp-gun round. With yells of joy the UN men claimed their weapons.

"We'll get back to base with our info now!" Hoffman said.

"I want to shake your hand, soldier!" Brady said to Rolf, taking his hand. Then: "Yeow!" he yelled as a shock went through him.

"Sorry, Sarge," Joe Rolf said, grinning; he opened his hand, exposing the trick buzzer. "I was gonna try that on that commie if the cigar was a dud — even if I had to shake hands with him."

"A practical joker!" Brady growled.

"Not exactly, Sarge," Rolf said, shaking his head. "My old man runs a novelty business; you know, exploding cigars, hand shockers, sneezing powder, stuff like that. I never told anybody because I figured you all might think I was a practical joker." He paused and grinned again. "But the real reason I've been kinda quiet is that pop needs some new ideas for practical jokes — and I think 'em up for him!"

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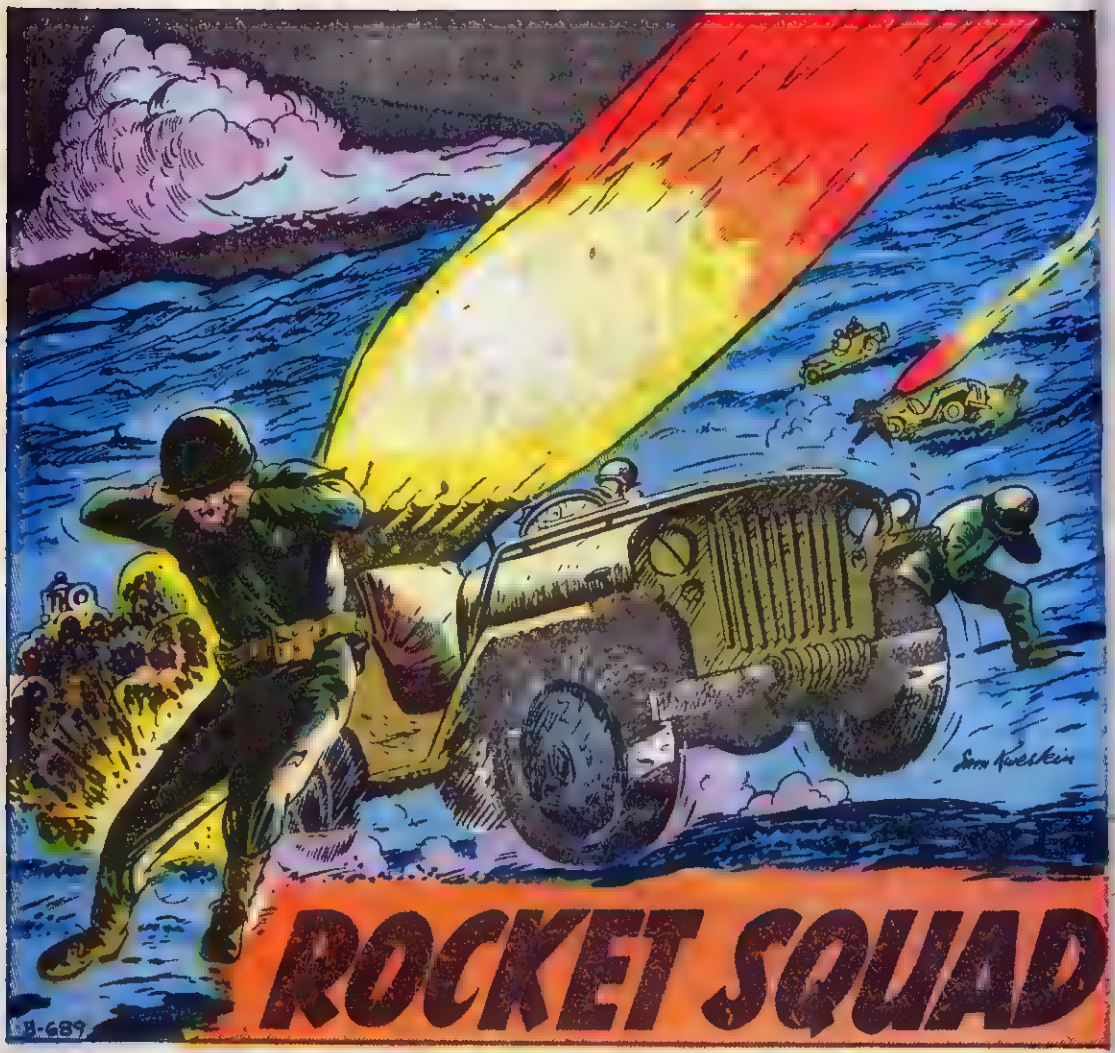
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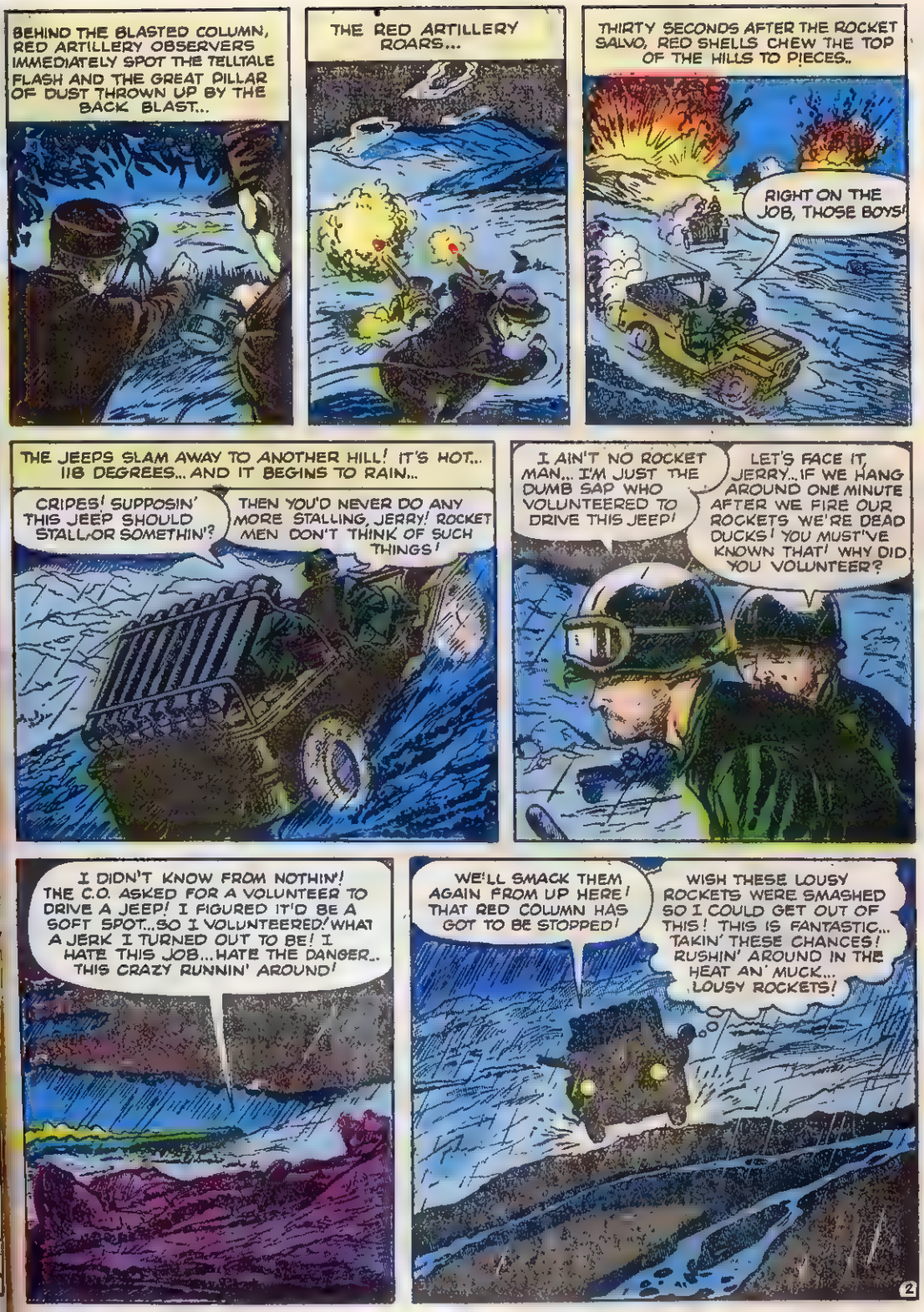
THE JEEPS STAND BY, MOTORS RUNNING, DRIVERS WAITING... POINTING DOWN HILL

THE ROCKET MEN RUSH THRU THE DUST OF THE BACK BLAST...LEAP TO THE JEEPS..
SCRAM OUTTA HERE!

THE ROCKETS SWOOSH INTO A COLUMN OF ADVANCING REDS FAR BELOW...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THE RED ARTILLERY ROARS...
THIRTY SECONDS AFTER THE ROCKET SALVO, RED SHELLS CHEW THE TOP OF THE HILLS TO PIECES..
RIGHT ON THE JOB, THOSE BOYS!
THE JEEPS SLAM AWAY TO ANOTHER HILL! IT'S HOT... 118 DEGREES... AND IT BEGINS TO RAIN...
CRIPES! SUPPOSIN' THIS JEEP SHOULD STALL OR SOMETHIN'?
THEN YOU'D NEVER DO ANY MORE STALLING, JERRY! ROCKET MEN DON'T THINK OF SUCH THINGS!
I AIN'T NO ROCKET MAN... I'M JUST THE DUMB SAP WHO VOLUNTEERED TO DRIVE THIS JEEP!
LET'S FACE IT, JERRY.. IF WE HANG AROUND ONE MINUTE AFTER WE FIRE OUR ROCKETS WE'RE DEAD DUCKS! YOU MUST'VE KNOWN THAT! WHY DID YOU VOLUNTEER?
I DIDN'T KNOW FROM NOTHIN'! THE C.O. ASKED FOR A VOLUNTEER TO DRIVE A JEEP! I FIGURED IT'D BE A SOFT SPOT...SO I VOLUNTEERED! WHAT A JERK I TURNED OUT TO BE! I HATE THIS JOB...HATE THE DANGER.. THIS CRAZY RUNNIN' AROUND!
WE'LL SMACK THEM AGAIN FROM UP HERE! THAT RED COLUMN HAS GOT TO BE STOPPED!
WISH THESE LOUSY ROCKETS WERE SMASHED SO I COULD GET OUT OF THIS! THIS IS FANTASTIC... TAKIN' THESE CHANCES! RUSHIN' AROUND IN THE HEAT AN' MUCK... LOUSY ROCKETS!
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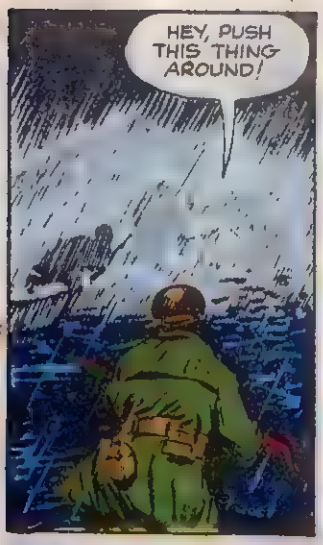
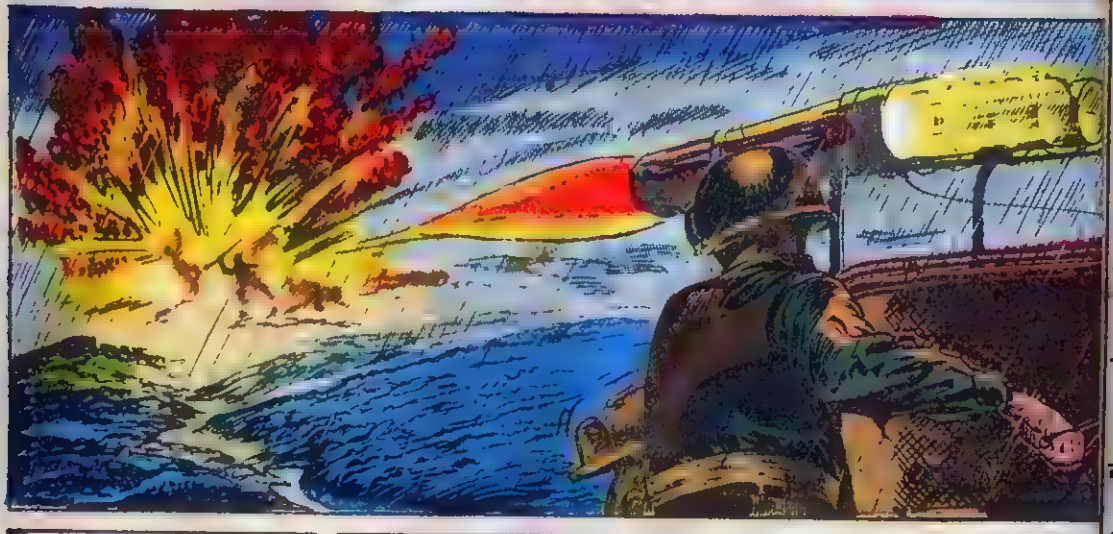
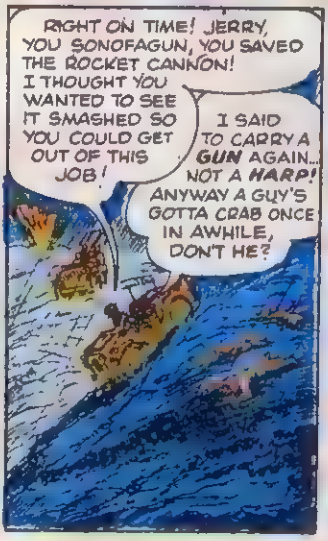
THEY TEAR UP THE HILL! THE RAIN IS A STEADY SHEET NOW, HISSING ON THE HOT METAL OF THE ROCKET CANNON... TURNING THE DUST TO MUD...
WHAT ARE YOU MUMBLING ABOUT NOW, JERRY?
I SAID I WISHED THAT LOUSY CANNON'D GET SMASHED...THAT'S WHAT I SAID! I'LL BE HAPPY TO GO BACK TO CARRYIN' A GUN AGAIN!
LOAD! KEEP THOSE JEEP MOTORS RUNNING, YOU DRIVERS!
HEY, CAPTAIN! WHY DON'T YOU TAKE A SHOT AT THOSE TENTS DOWN THERE? IT LOOKS LIKE AN ENEMY CAMP!
THE CAPTAIN LOOKS DOWN THRU THE MIST AND RAIN...
NO, JERRY, THAT'S NOT AN ENEMY CAMP! THOSE TENTS HOUSE THE HOPES OF MILLIONS OF PEOPLE...SOLDIERS, MOTHERS, FATHERS, CHILDREN, WIVES... THAT'S PANMUNJOM WHERE THE PEACE TALKS ARE IN PROGRESS!
FIRE...ONE...TWO... THREE...
JUST ONE SALVO...THAT'S ALL THEY HAVE TIME FOR! THEN IT'S SLAM AWAY LIKE WILD MEN FOR THE NEXT HILL...
GET GOING!
CAPTAIN, THIS ROCKET JEEP'S STUCK IN A MUD HOLE...THE BLAST DID IT!
LEAVE IT, BRADY!
CAPTAIN, LOOK... REDS!
AT THE BASE OF THE HILL THE REDS SWARM...

WE CAN'T STAY HERE! IN LESS THAN 30 SECONDS THE RED ARTILLERY WILL SMASH THIS HILL FLAT!
THAT'LL BE THE END OF THE ROCKET CANNON!
WE'LL HAVE TO TRY TO SLAM THRU THOSE REDS BELOW!
CAPTAIN, OUR JEEP'S STUCK, TOO!
ALL THE JEEPS'LL BOG DOWN IF WE STAY HERE ANY LONGER! THE RAIN'S TURNED THE GROUND INTO SOUP!
PILE OUT! FIND COVER!
THEY FIND WHAT COVER THEY CAN...
HOW YOU DOING, BERNIE?
OKAY, CAPTAIN! BUT LET'S MOVE THOSE JEEPS OUTTA HERE!
HERE THEY COME!
HOW MANY MORE SECONDS, CAPTAIN, BEFORE THE ARTILLERY STARTS?
ABOUT 20 SECONDS, JERRY... HEY, WHERE YOU GOING?
JERRY GRABS A ROCKET SHELL AND RUNS TOWARD THE MIRED CANNON! HIS FEET SEEM TO DRAG, LIKE IN A DREAM...AND THE SECONDS TICK AWAY...
ONLY A FEW SECONDS MORE..






RIGHT ON TIME! JERRY, YOU SONOFAGUN, YOU SAVED THE ROCKET CANNON! I THOUGHT YOU WANTED TO SEE IT SMASHED SO YOU COULD GET OUT OF THIS JOB!
I SAID TO CARRY A GUN AGAIN... NOT A HARP! ANYWAY A GUY'S GOTTA CRAB ONCE IN AWHILE, DON'T HE?

BESIDES, I FIGURE MAYBE THESE ROCKETS WILL MAKE IT A LITTLE EASIER FOR THOSE GUYS DOWN IN PANMUNJOM TO GET TOGETHER AND MAKE PEACE SO THEY COULD FIRE ME FROM THIS JOB PERMANENTLY!
OKAY, JERRY! THERE'S ANOTHER HILL AHEAD TO BLAST FROM!
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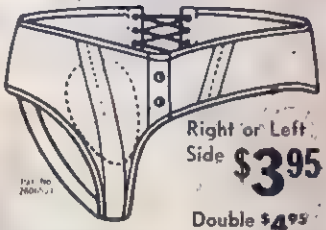

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A POEM LOVELY AS A TREE.
A TREE WHOSE HUNGRY MOUTH IS PRESSED
AGAINST THE EARTH'S SWEET FLOWING BREAST;
A TREE THAT LOOKS AT GOD ALL DAY,
AND LIFTS HER LEAFY ARMS TO PRAY;
A TREE THAT MAY IN SUMMER WEAR
A NEST OF ROBINS IN HER HAIR;
UPON WHOSE BOSOM SNOW HAS LAIN;
WHO INTIMATELY LIVES WITH RAIN.
POEMS ARE MADE BY FOOLS LIKE ME,
BUT ONLY GOD CAN MAKE A TREE.

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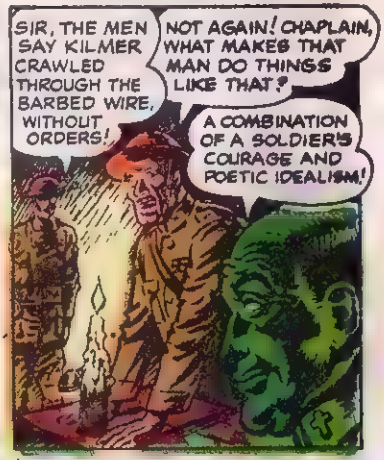
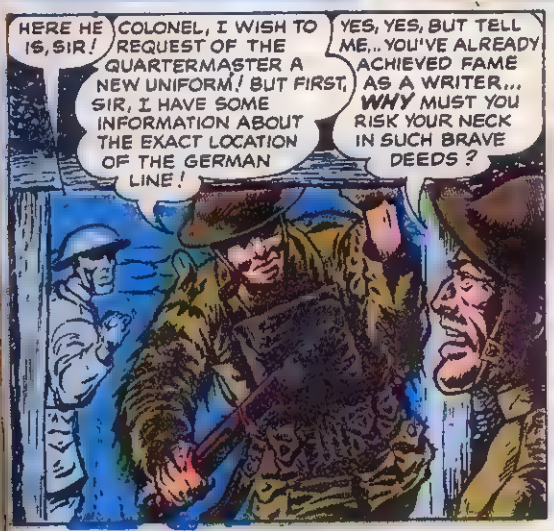
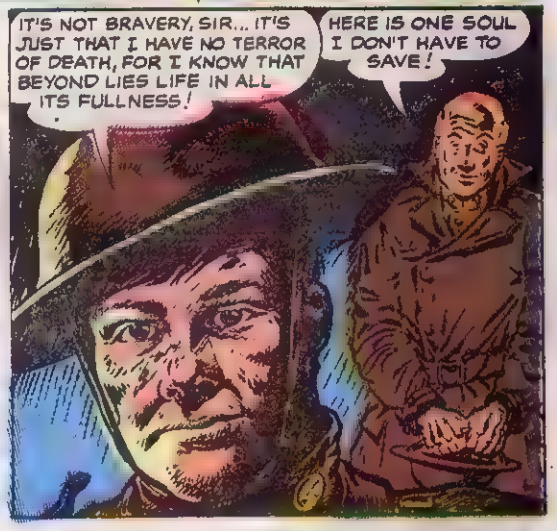
JULY 1918... THE HILLS OF OURG, FRANCE... THE AMERICAN SOLDIER DISAPPEARING INTO THE DARKNESS TOWARDS THE GERMAN LINES IS SERGEANT KILMER, ***THE*** JOYCE KILMER!

WHILE AT HEADQUARTERS OF THE 69TH, THE FAMOUS RAINBOW DIVISION...

A FEW MINUTES LATER, THE ORDERLY RETURNS...


SIR, THE MEN SAY KILMER CRAWLED THROUGH THE BARBED WIRE, WITHOUT ORDERS!
NOT AGAIN! CHAPLAIN, WHAT MAKES THAT MAN DO THINGS LIKE THAT?
A COMBINATION OF A SOLDIER'S COURAGE AND POETIC IDEALISM!

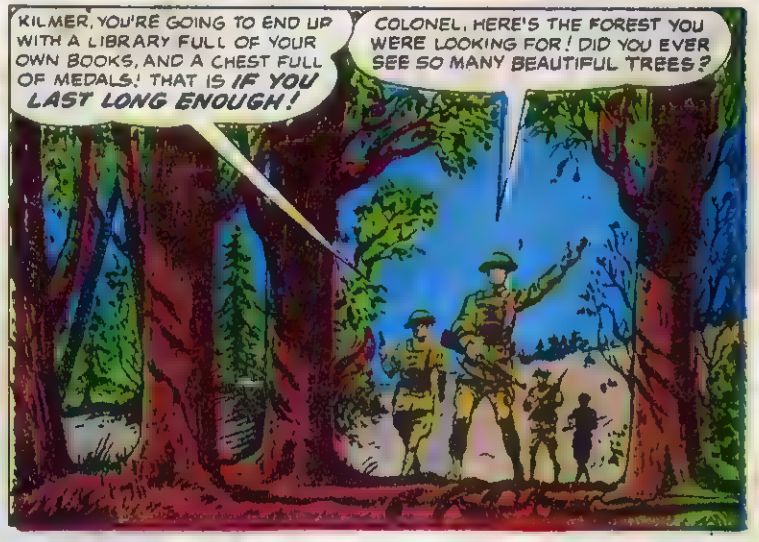

HERE HE IS, SIR!
COLONEL, I WISH TO REQUEST OF THE QUARTERMASTER A NEW UNIFORM! BUT FIRST, SIR, I HAVE SOME INFORMATION ABOUT THE EXACT LOCATION OF THE GERMAN LINE!
YES, YES, BUT TELL ME... YOU'VE ALREADY ACHIEVED FAME AS A WRITER... ***WHY*** MUST YOU RISK YOUR NECK IN SUCH BRAVE DEEDS?


IT'S NOT BRAVERY, SIR... IT'S JUST THAT I HAVE NO TERROR OF DEATH, FOR I KNOW THAT BEYOND LIES LIFE IN ALL ITS FULLNESS!
HERE IS ONE SOUL I DON'T HAVE TO SAVE!

JOYCE, THERE'S A WOUNDED MAN IN THE HOSPITAL THAT REQUESTED YOUR AUTOGRAPH ON YOUR BOOK OF VERSE!
SURE, PADRE! HE MUST BE WORSE OFF THAN YOU THINK, IF THAT'S ALL HE WANTS!

POOR LAD, HE WAS JUST ABOUT TO LEAVE WITH ME FOR A RECONNAISSANCE MISSION NEAR THE TOWN OF SERINGES!
SIR, I'M IN THE INTELLIGENCE DEPARTMENT. I WISH TO VOLUNTEER TO TAKE HIS PLACE! I'VE LEARNED THE LAY OF THE LAND IN MY NIGHT PROWLINGS!

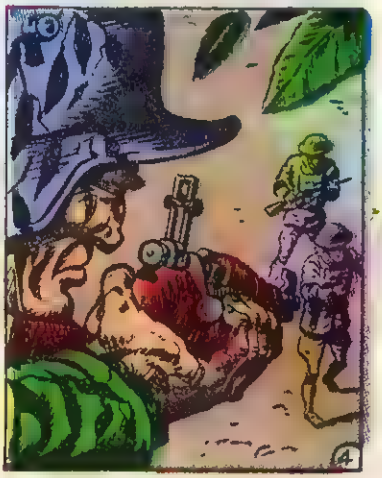
...ILMER, YOU NEVER CEASE TO AMAZE ...E! WHY, THIS IS COMPLETELY ABOVE AND BEYOND THE CALL OF DUTY! ...R OWN BATTALION IS SEVERAL ... IN THE REAR AND YET YOU ...OLUNTEER FOR ... ALL ... WAY YOU ... NEW UNIFORM ...ADY IN 15 MINUTES!
THANK YOU, SIR!
GOOD LUCK! AND MAY THE LORD BE WITH YOU!
THIS WAY, SIR! HERE'S WHERE I CUT THE WIRE!
NORTHWEST, THE GERMANS ARE WELL FORTIFIED IN A NETWORK OF TRENCHES! WE'D BE BETTER OFF GOING TOWARDS THE SOUTH... THERE ARE ONLY SCATTERED SNIPERS AND ONE MACHINE GUN NEST!
OKAY, LET'S GO!
TAKE COVER!
IT'S AS I SAID, SIR, THERE'S ONE MACHINE GUN NEST...
...BUT NOT FOR LONG!
KILMER! COME BACK HERE!


KILMER, YOU'RE GOING TO END UP WITH A LIBRARY FULL OF YOUR OWN BOOKS, AND A CHEST FULL OF MEDALS! THAT IS IF YOU LAST LONG ENOUGH!
COLONEL, HERE'S THE FOREST YOU WERE LOOKING FOR! DID YOU EVER SEE SO MANY BEAUTIFUL TREES?

EES ARE A THING OF BEAUTY, BUT
EY CAN ALSO HIDE AN EVIL, LIKE
A GERMAN SNIPER...

... WHO, HAVING SIGHTED THE AMERICANS, TAKES AIM....

... AND HIS TRIGGER FINGER BEGINS TO CROOK...



AND SO, ON JULY 30, 1918, A SMALL PIECE OF LEAD TORE THROUGH A STEEL HELMET AND STOPPED FOREVER THE WORKINGS OF A GREAT MIND...

IRONICAL THAT THE MAN WHO PUT INTO BEAUTIFUL WORDS THE BEAUTY OF TREES...

...SHOULD DIE SO HEROICALLY...

...BENEATH A HOST OF THEM!

JOYCE KILMER IS DEAD, BUT HIS POETRY SHALL LIVE ON FOREVER!

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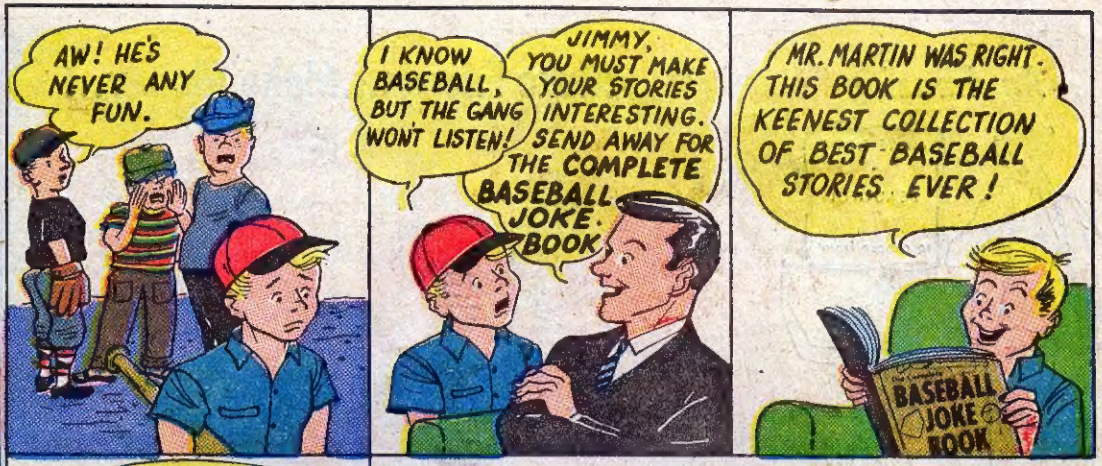
ATLAS FOR THE BEST IN WAR TALES LOOK FOR THE ATLAS SEAL ON THE COVER! ATLAS


AW! HE'S NEVER ANY FUN.
I KNOW BASEBALL, BUT THE GANG WON'T LISTEN!
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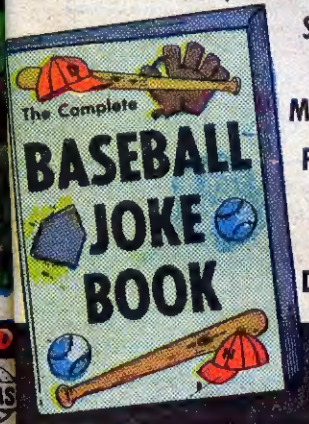

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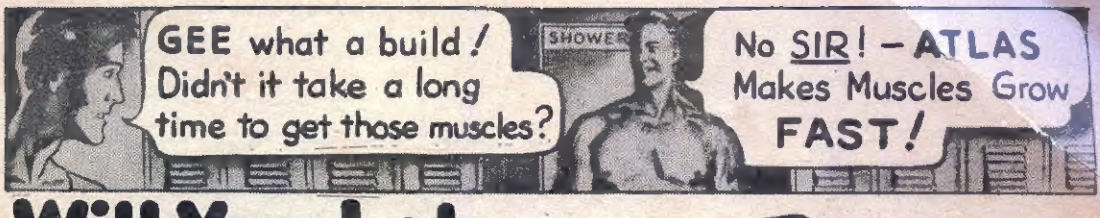

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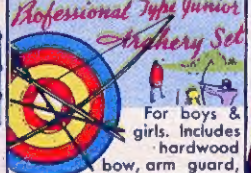

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